Mountain Weather Forecast

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 21 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 22 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 20 Dec 2023 at 13:44

Confidence: High confidence for unsettled and windy conditions through the coming days. Lower for rain or snow details.

Headline for Thursday 21 Dec 2023: Very windy with severe conditions on the tops. Bright intervals and showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 21 Dec 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	70%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Thursday 21 Dec 2023

Weather: Cloudy overnight with spells of rain, clearing around dawn. Thursday will see a mixture of bright spells and showers. The very strong winds will be the main feature of the weather.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 10% overnight becoming 70% soon after dawn.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud and fog above 400m overnight, lifting and breaking soon after dawn. Mainly good visibility during the day but occasionally poor in showers with patchy cloud down to 500m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	35/48 W	37/51 W	37/52 W	35/49 W	34/49 W	33/46 W	28/41 W	26/38 W	27/39 W
300	24/46 W	22/46 W	23/49 W	23/49 W	22/47 W	22/47 NW	18/40 NW	17/38 W	18/38 W
Valley	15/34 W	18/39 W	22/48 W	20/46 W	20/45 W	19/42 W	16/36 NW	14/32 W	15/33 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/-0	6/0	6/-0	6/-1	5/-2	4/-3	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4
300	8/3	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/3	6/1	5/1	5/0	5/1
Valley	9/6	9/6	10/6	9/6	9/5	8/4	7/3	7/4	7/4
Freezing Level*	1800m	2200m	1700m	1300m	1200m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Very windy conditions with gusts of 50 to 70mph. Progress severely impeded on the tops.

Recent rainfall: measured at Malham: altitude 375m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Wed 20 Dec 2023	13mm	18.2mm	31.4mm

Forecast for Friday 22 Dec 2023

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, perhaps longer spells of rain for a few hours.

Maximum wind: West or Northwest 25 to 35mph, gusts 50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Occasional cloud and fog above 600m, but patchier in the east. Away from cloud, mainly good visibility but poor at times in rain.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 7C rising to 9C.
At 600m: Plus 3C rising to 5C.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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